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Dear Parents/Carers and Year 9 students,

YEAR 9 EXAMINATIONS

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of Year 9 Examinations which are scheduled in lessons from 8th – 19th January 2024. Subject teachers will inform students of the exact date(s) on which examinations will take place. Assessment will include completion of written examination papers, as well as assessment of practical skills and abilities where this is appropriate.

The examination activities provide information to Year 9 students, parents/carers and teachers on current levels of attainment and progress to support the selection of Key Stage 4 GCSE and BTEC courses, next term. The selection of these courses is a significant decision because Key Stage 4 qualifications are the foundation blocks of future career choices, so careful consideration of results is required by students, their families and their teachers. A range of on-line and school-based presentations and booklets will be published to support the selection of Key Stage 4 courses, and the Year 9 examination results will provide another source of information to take into consideration.

Please do not hesitate to contact Subject Leaders should you have further questions regarding these arrangements. I hope this information will support conversations at home about thinking ahead to Year 10 and beyond.

Yours sincerely,

Miss F Minnis
Deputy Headteacher